

# ALASKA NATIVE CLAIMS SETTLEMENT ACT AN OVERVIEW

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## WHO ARE WE?

- ✦ Leaders coming together to discuss challenges facing ANCs and seek a unified path forward
- ✦ Presidents and CEOs of the 12 ANCs created by ANCSA
- ✦ Established in 1997



*Grounded by the wisdom of those who came before us, guided by our shared Alaska Native values, together we boldly move into the future.*



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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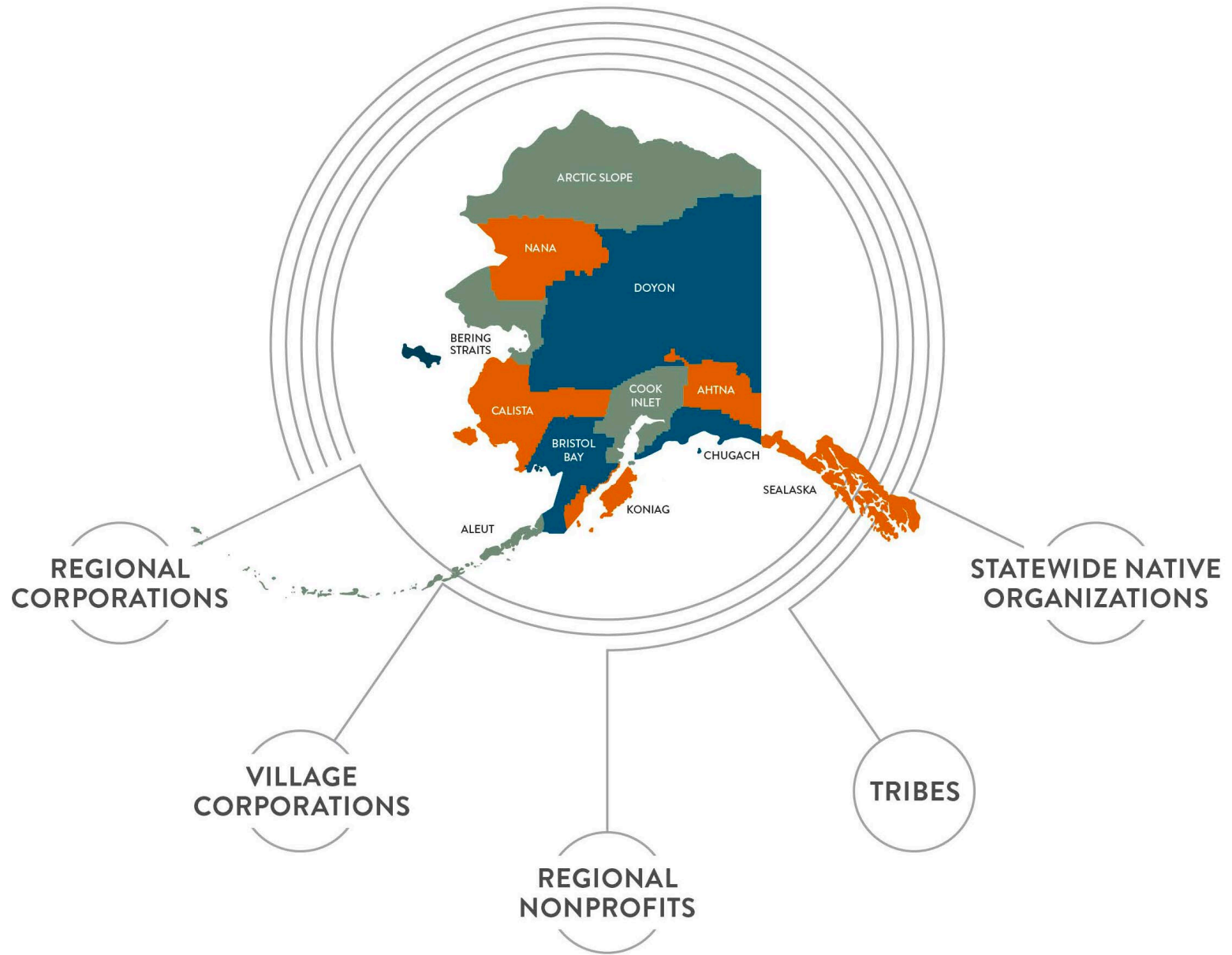
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President & CEO  
Sealaska Corporation



*The ANCSA Regional Association exists to promote and foster the continued growth and economic strength of the Alaska Native Regional Corporations on behalf of their shareholders.*



# ALASKA'S UNIQUE CONSTELLATION



# THE SETTLEMENT AND ITS UNIQUE FEATURES

## 43.7 Million Acres of Land

- Land held in fee simple title

## \$962.5 Million Dollars

- Moneys paid for lands that cannot be returned to Native ownership

## 12 Regional Corporations

- Private, for-profit corporations

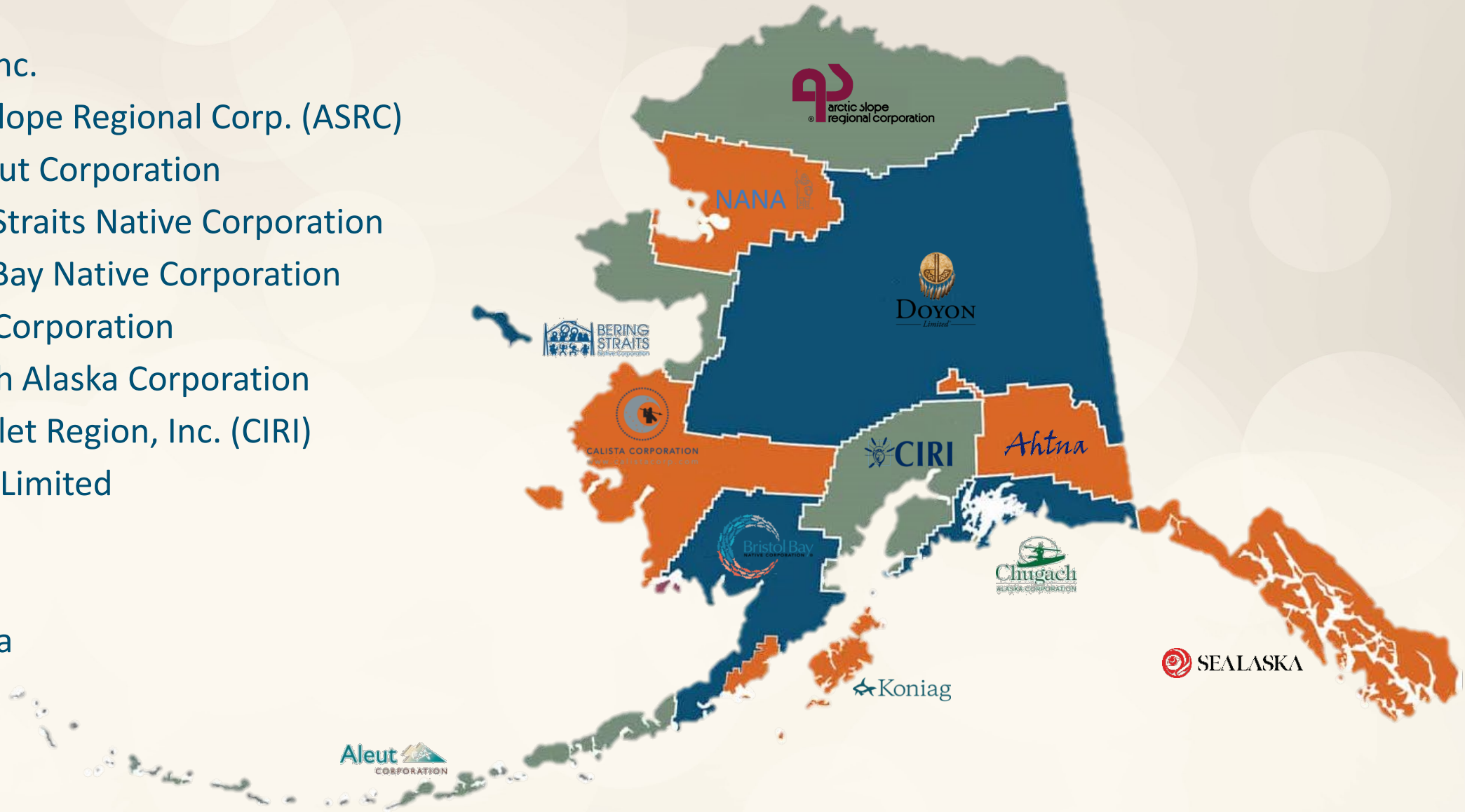
## 211 Village Corporations

- Private, for-profit corporations











# ALASKA NATIVE REGIONAL CORPORATIONS

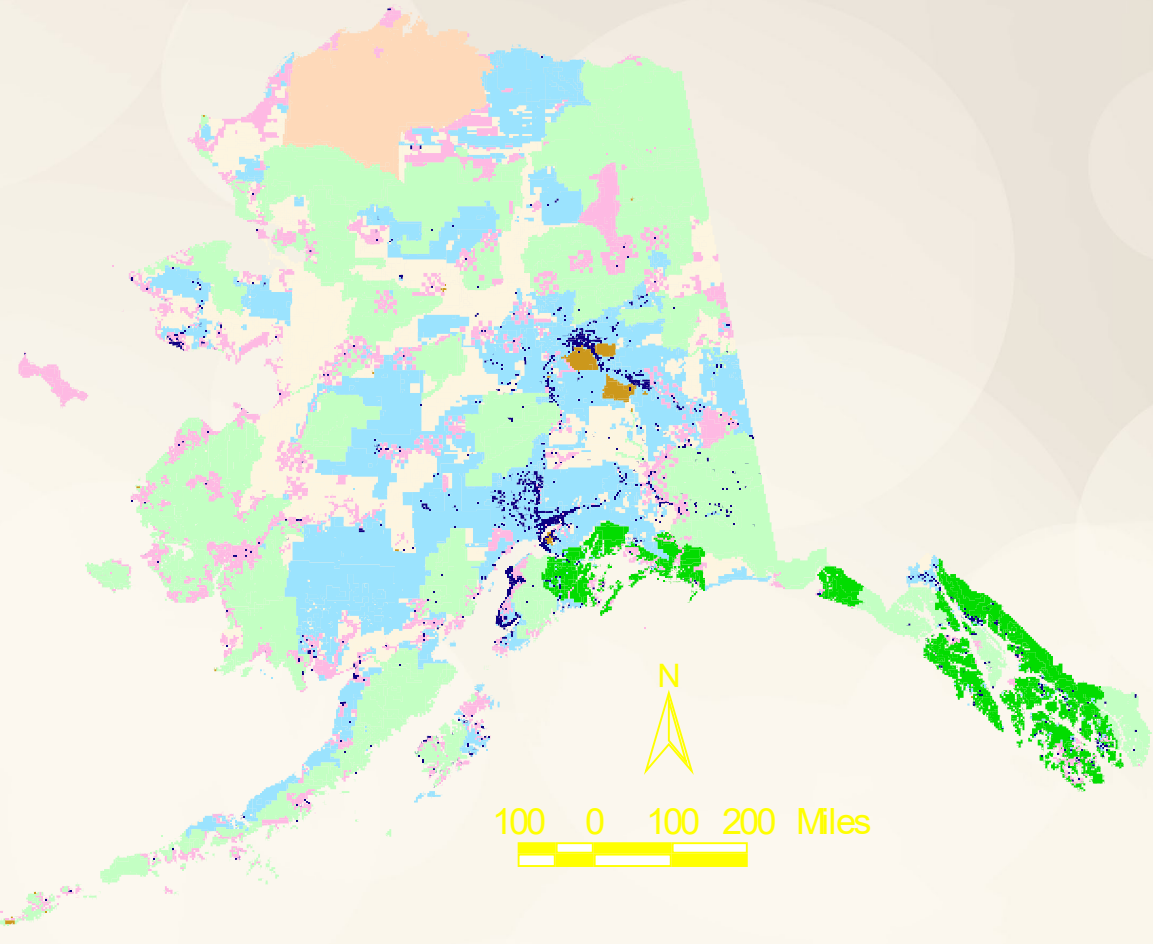
- ✦ Ahtna Inc.
- ✦ Arctic Slope Regional Corp. (ASRC)
- ✦ The Aleut Corporation
- ✦ Bering Straits Native Corporation
- ✦ Bristol Bay Native Corporation
- ✦ Calista Corporation
- ✦ Chugach Alaska Corporation
- ✦ Cook Inlet Region, Inc. (CIRI)
- ✦ Doyon, Limited
- ✦ Koniag
- ✦ NANA
- ✦ Sealaska



# Alaska Land Status

**LEGEND**  
**Land Status**

-  **National Forest**
-  **Fed. Cons. Sys. Units**
-  **BLM**
-  **NPRA**
-  **Major Military**
-  **Native Lands**
-  **State Lands**
-  **Municipal/Private**

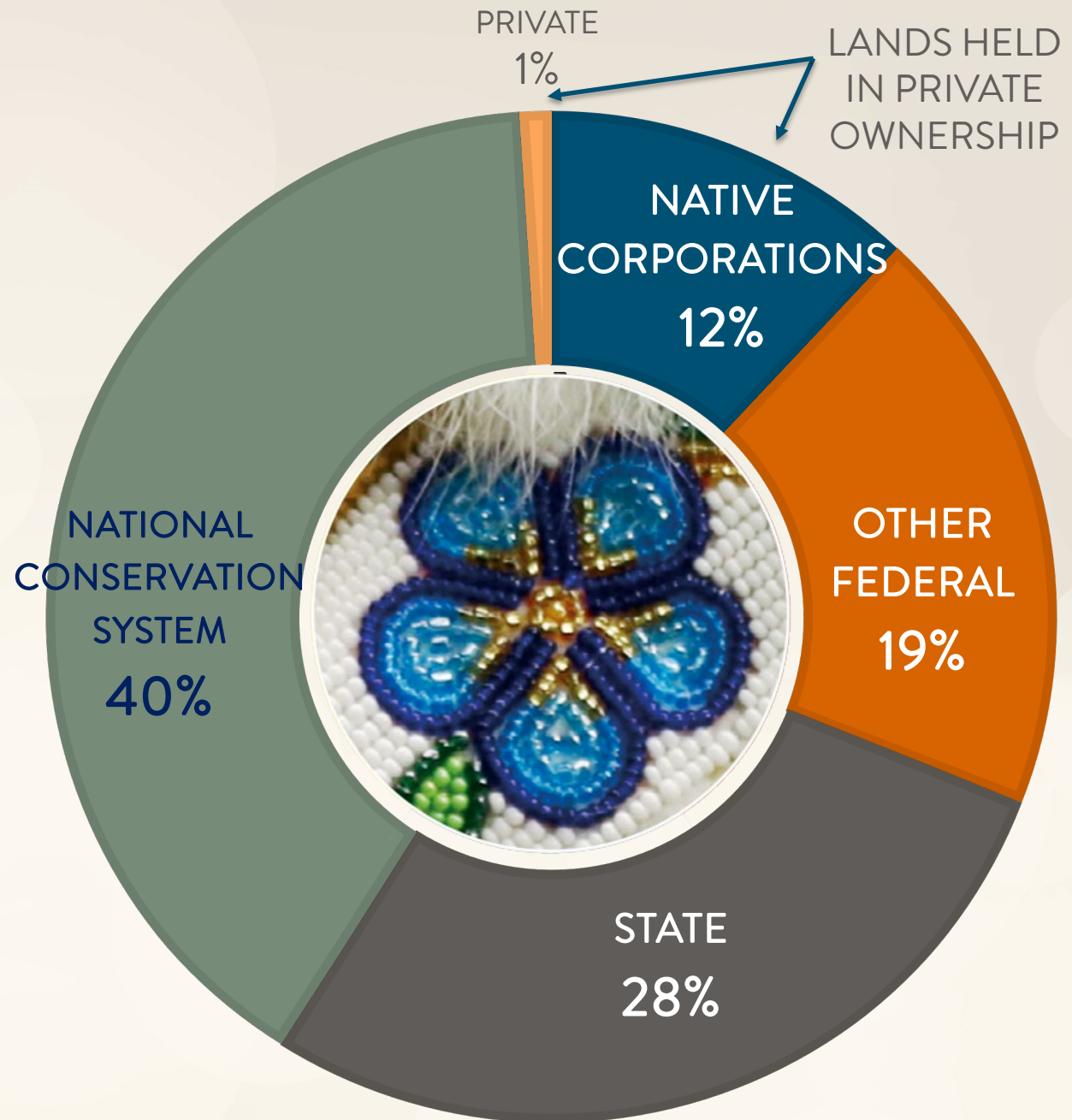


# WHO OWNS ALASKA?

Out of the 48 million acres of land held in private ownership, Alaska Native Corporations own 44 million acres.

That's approximately 92% of all private land in the State.

FEDERAL:	222M Acres
STATE:	105M Acres
PRIVATE:	48M Acres





# OUR SHAREHOLDERS

- When Congress passed ANCSA, it gave regional and village corporations two years to enroll “shareholders”.
- Enrollment required at least  $\frac{1}{4}$  Native blood quantum and born on or before December 18, 1971.
- At the two-year deadline, the twelve Alaska Native regional corporations had enrolled just over 64,000 original shareholders.
- All shareholders received 100 shares.
- To date, no ANC allows for the sale of stock – it can only be gifted, willed, or bequeathed.



# SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE, FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS



Stock cannot be traded or sold

- 1991 Amendment extended the period of stock alienation to preserve Alaska Native ownership

ANCSA Corporations have dramatically diversified Alaska's economy

The land is part of who we are

- Undeveloped land is not carried on corporate balance sheets

Revenue Sharing: 7(i) and 7(j)

# REVENUE SHARING (7i & 7j)



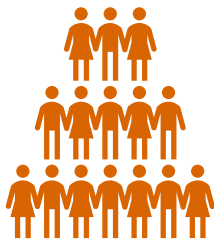
# BENEFITS FOR OUR PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES

Alaska Native corporations work to create economic opportunities that benefit our Alaska Native shareholders and descendants, while supporting important social and cultural programs that enrich the Alaska Native way of life.





ANCSA REGIONAL  
CORPORATIONS:  
BY THE NUMBERS



**Shareholders**  
from 64,000 to +150,000

**Scholarship Funds Awarded**  
from \$2.5m to \$14m  
**Scholarships Awarded:**  
5,000+ in FY21



**Dividends Paid to Shareholders:**  
from \$52.5m to \$217m  
**Donations:**  
Five-Year Average of \$22m/year

**Alaska Employees**  
+16,000  
**Employees Worldwide**  
+57,000



# CULTURAL VALUES AT WORK

*In the 50 years since their creation by Congress, Alaska Native corporations have grown from their humble beginnings to become an integral part of the Alaska economy.*

Out of the 49 top-grossing businesses in the state, **25** are either Alaska Native regional or village corporations

To date, Alaska Native regional corporations have distributed over **\$4 billion** in dividends to their Native shareholders

To date, more than **58,000** individual scholarships have been awarded to Alaska Native shareholders and descendants, totaling more than **\$119 million** for Alaska Native people to pursue various educational endeavors



**Thank you!**  
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